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Now Available: 4th Edition of the Federal Funding Handbook for Marine Transportation System Infrastructure

The U.S. Committee on the Marine Transportation System (CMTS) has completed its biennial update of the "Federal Funding Handbook for Marine Transportation System Infrastructure," one of the most downloaded items on the CMTS website. This is the fourth iteration of the Handbook since it was first produced in 2013.

"The CMTS Federal Funding Handbook connects Federal resources to our stakeholders for investment in, and strengthening of, our marine transportation system infrastructure," said RDML Tim Gallaudet, Deputy Director of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and Chair of the CMTS Coordinating Board.

The 4th edition of the CMTS Federal Funding Handbook contains 75 authorized funding, financing, and technical assistance programs for infrastructure in the marine transportation system. This document is a compilation of existing and recent Federal funding programs. New to this edition, the funding programs are now divided into seven distinct categories (in comparison to four categories in the 3rd edition). These categories are:

- 1. Infrastructure
- 2. Economic Development
- 3. Energy
- 4. Resilience
- 5. Safety and Security
- 6. Environment and Sustainability
- 7. Research and Development

Of note, this edition includes the <u>Port Infrastructure Development Program</u>, which includes \$292.7 million in new discretionary grant funding for coastal seaports.

The purpose of this Handbook is to serve as a value-added tool for local and non-federal level practitioners as well as Federal stakeholders. No program is endorsed nor are the programs listed all-inclusive. This is a living document that will be updated periodically. To that end, we welcome stakeholder input to ensure this handbook continues to be a valuable and relevant document. Please direct your feedback to the CMTS at https://mts.gov.

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